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JUST SOB-STUFF

Attorney General Daugherty is not so easily stampeded as some men who have occupied his important position. Recently a group of women organized a parade of children to petition the president to grant a "general amnesty" to all so-called "political prisoners"—men who had been convicted of impeding the prosecution of the war. One of the children carried a banner which had been prepared for her, bearing the legend "My daddy never saw me." All this was intended to win sympathy and distract attention from the plain fact that the prisoners have been found guilty by the unanimous verdict of juries of violating the law.

President Harding very properly referred the petitioners to the department of justice, where they were told that each application for a pardon will be acted upon separately and on its own merits alone, and that there will be no general pardon granted. This is good sound sense. Whatever may be the merits of this case, it should have no effect, favorable or unfavorable, upon any other case. Whether a daddy has ever seen his daughter has nothing whatever to do with the matter. If he has not seen his daughter through fault of his, that is no reason for granting him a pardon. If the United States had not gone into the war and having done it, had not helped win the war, an invading army of Japs might have made this man sorry he had a daughter at all. The time for a man to think about his children is when he contemplates the commission of a crime, and the thought should be as a deterrent if he will not think of them, then he ought to take refuge behind them when he is called to account for his defiance of the government, which affords protection not only to him, but for his family and friends.

President Harding and Attorney General Daugherty merit the highest praise for refusing to be misled into wholesale clemency for one of the most dangerous classes of criminals. Quite likely there are instances where a commutation of sentence might be proper, but the facts of the individual case and not maudlin sentiment should determine the action to be taken.

IMPORTANT RULING

The United States supreme court has decided in the case of a hosiery concern that any of its products advertised as wool must really be wool. This is a highly important ruling as it by a very natural law applies to all other fabrics and all other goods. Indeed, it is a death blow to false advertising. It is a judgment to the effect that what a man purports to sell, he really must sell. Thus, if a man is to be checked for selling hosiery as pure wool or pure silk, when it really is not, any other man who purports to sell a suit as pure wool, or a shirt as pure silk, when it really isn't falls under the same ban and is subject to prosecution. And a man who undertakes to sell any goods by misrepresenting their contents or character is subject undoubtedly to the operation of the same law, and there is no doubt that hereafter dissatisfied purchasers will take advantage of its provisions. The result will be that hereafter the purchaser of any article will at last have the satisfaction of knowing that he is getting exactly what he paid for. The significance of this ruling can hardly be overestimated and there is no doubt in the world that it has carried dismay and consternation into thousands of factories which heretofore have been bamboozling the public and taking profits to which they were not entitled. When the supreme court acts as it has acted in this matter, there seems to be small need of appealing to congress for a relief which is already afforded under the court's judgment.

CHINA WAR SITUATION HELPS SILVER

Because of exceptional demands this week from both China and India foreign origin silver advanced to 35 1/4 at London and 70 to 70 1/2 cents New York. With the exception of the 35 1/4 price on April 19, the London quotation is the highest since December 20.

Demand at present is undoubtedly due, chiefly, to disturbed conditions in China, but there are further elements of strength in the improved trade situation of India and the curtailment of melted down silver currency supplies from the continent of Europe, says Financial Review.

At present indications are that con-

tinuation of hostilities between the Chinese generals, Chang and Wu, will most likely result in larger silver demands from that country and even the victory of either and especially of General Wu Pei-fu would create a much stronger foundation for higher prices.

The advance to 71 1/2 cents on April 19 established a new short position among dealers in New York. This position is undoubtedly responsible for the feature of the world's New York "official equivalent" price in advance or even reach the London bid.

March overseas trade of India showed exports of 62,199,000 rupees, the best record since last year. The exchange rate, New York on Calcutta, is now 29 to 29 1/4 and Bombay, 28 1/4 to 29. This is an advance of 1/2 to 1 cent in the past month.

EXPEDITING TAX COLLECTION

Decentralization of the income tax collection of the internal revenue bureau is to be resorted to by Secretary Mellon in his drive to collect arrears of taxes extending over several years time. Offices are to be established on the Pacific coast and in the middle west so that the long trip across the continent may be obviated and much time saved to the taxpayers. It is hoped that the new system will eventually bring up to date the work of auditing the income tax returns, now some three years behind, and bring quick adjustment to claims for refunds. To expedite the work of federal tax collecting, Mr. Mellon has appointed a tax simplification board, composed of two representatives of the public and three of the bureau, which is working out various means of facilitating the collection of taxes.

BOOSTING THE TRADE

Concrete evidence of the steady growth of American exports is furnished in the columns of the weekly "Commerce Reports," published by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. In every issue appear upwards of a hundred notices from foreign firms and individuals who desire to purchase in the American market and are seeking quotations. The information comes to the bureau from American consular officials stationed abroad, commercial attaches and trade commissioners, or directly by letter. The trade opportunities are given only in small paragraphs in the Commerce Reports, but full information is offered to those producers who are sufficiently interested to make further inquiry.

THE FORD FAMILY

Secretary of Treasury Mellon has called upon Henry Ford to explain that \$29,000,000 of Ford's war profits were returned to treasury of United States and that his extensive war work did not yield him a cent of profit. Request follows recent publication of these statements in book, "The Truth About Henry Ford," written with Mr. Ford's approval. Secretary Mellon's investigation reveals that Ford collected full price for all articles manufactured for the government. Bureau of internal revenue has been unable during three years since the end of the war to find just what war time profits of Ford's factory really amounted to.

BY ITS FRUITS

The country is much less interested in the pronouncement of the Civil Service Reform League than it is in the manner in which the public business is conducted. If the Harding administration continues to cut expenses and reduce government payrolls, the taxpayers will merely laugh at the fulfillment of protestants who never successfully conducted a business of their own but pose as authorities on how a large government establishment should be conducted. By its fruits the Harding administration will be judged. It is our guess that it won't be repudiated by a 7,000,000 plurality.

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN, SAM?

"I can think of nothing," exclaims Mr. Gompers, "that would constitute a more needless and base betrayal of civilization than American recognition of the bolshevik tyranny." Quite so, but how about Mr. Gompers' recognition and encouragement of the notorious W. Z. Foster, an acknowledged "red," when that gentleman was fomenting a strike in the steel mills?

Wedded as Atlantic Sprinkles Benediction



An unusual wedding was the heart desire of May O'Keefe and Emma Cassidy, so the bridegrooms thought of a ceremony off the steel pier at Atlantic City, the party to wear waterproof suits and with waves sprinkling a benediction. Frank Fisher and Howard Detweiler are shown here with their happy brides.

EUROPEAN LORELEI

In one last desperate effort to drag the United States into European entanglements, the internationalists have at last begun to quote the former crown prince of Germany. The lords and ladies of the British empire join with the hum and the bolshevik in the plea to the United States to come and bear their burdens, pay their debts, turn their crisscrosses, fight their battles, set their quarrels and become the world's great goat. It would be funny if there could be anything humorous in a spectacle so utterly ridiculous.

AN EXPLANATION

Edsel Ford is going to congress and Henry is going to put himself in line for the presidency if grand standing will accomplish these things. He has cut the working week at the Ford plant to five days and the announcement is made with a great fan fare of trumpets, but it is well to be mindful of the fact that Henry is employing his labor by the hour and that he can shift back to the six day week when politics no longer demand a little advertising.

Sugar Company Suit Results in Dissolution

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, May 11. — Federal Judges Rogers, Hough and Manton filed a dissolution order against the American Sugar & Refining company and other corporate and individual defendants in the government's anti-Sherman lawsuit begun 12 years ago.

LONDON HAS CHANGED STOCK MARKET RULES

(By Associated Press) LONDON, April 22. — (By Mail.) — Longer hours, Saturday opening and dealings on the pre-war account system instead of all transactions being cash, are foreshadowed in the new stock exchange rules published. One of the proposed new rules provides for "makings" up at 3:30 p. m. on ordinary days and up to 1 o'clock on Saturday, which would indicate that the house will close at 3:30 instead of 3 o'clock and that the present Saturday holiday will be abolished.

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